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- On 6 April the Chinese Communist Kirin Railway Bureau and the Kirin Provincial Government jointly issued an order to rush the repair of the Kirin-Hailung (125-48, 42-39) railroad. Ter armored freight coaches and three locomotives have been moved from Tumen (139-49, 42-58) for use in the repair of the line.
- 2. The railroad between Harbin and Kirin was completely repaired on 2 April 1948 and communication has been returned. Passenger trains leave Kirin at 8:30 p.m., transfer at Lafa (127-17, 43-11), and arrive at Harbin at 12:05 the next day.
- 3. Work on a temporary railroad between Wuchang (127-09, 44-55) and Yushu (126-31, 44-49) was started in 20 March 1948. By 30 April 1948 construction had been completed from Muchang to Hsiangyangpao (126-53, 44-53). The reason for this railroad is to move material from Yushu.
- In January 1948 the railroad between Ningmien (124-27, 47-47) and Nenchiang (125-13, 49-11) was repaired. One freight train and one passenger train pass over this line daily.
- 5. On 30 April the railroad from Kirin to Tumen was in operation.
- The Chinese Communist "Railroad Construction Corps" was instructed to recruit 700 men for repair work in the Harbin-Tehui (125-54, 44-36) railroad. This line was to be completed in April 1948.
- 7. On 30 April 1948 the following railroads had been repaired by conscripted labor:

Taolaichao (125-55, 44-53) to Tehui

Paichengtzu (122-52, 4/-37) to Nungan (125-11, 44-26)

Paichengtzu to Sanchiangkou (123-43, 43-22)

Kirin to Chiutai (125-10, 44-08)

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